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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED DRINKING WATER PROJECT FOR THE FLORISSANT WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed drinking water project for the Florissant Water and Sanitation District in accordance with EPA and the State of Colorado procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Part 6) and the State of Colorado NEPA-like policy (SRF Operating Agreement). The State has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the State is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the above stated policies.

Project Description:

The proposed project is the installation of new drinking water filtration system and associated appurtenances, and rehabilitation of well number 4. The project will be funded by a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$847,920. Upon closing of the loan, 100% of the principal amount will be forgiven, and will not increase user rates. The project by design would not increase the drinking water demand for the planning area.

Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR parts 6.107 and 6.505

The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future water treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

- The Functional replacement of equipment;
- Construction of additional facilities adjacent to existing facilities which do not affect the degree or capacity of treatment by more than 30 percent of the existing population.

The documentation to support this decision will be on file at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, in Denver, Colorado and is available for public scrutiny upon request. Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to:

> Michael Beck, Unit Manager Grants and Loans Unit Water Quality Control Division Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South Denver, Colorado 80246

Dated this 16 day of October 2013.

Steven H. Gunderson, Director Water Quality Control Division